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1. REQUEST [REDACTED] AND ADDRESSEES BE PROVIDED INFORMATION

IDENTIFYING PERSONNEL AT YOUR FACILITY AVAILABLE FOR DIRECT

TELEPHONE CONTACT AFTER DUTY HOURS AND DURING WEEKEND PERIODS

IN SUPPORT SUPER MAINTENANCE MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS. FORMAT AS FOLLOWS

(INCLUDE AREA CODE WITH ALL TELEPHONE NUMBERS):

A. (1) PRIMARY CONTACT (NAME).

(2) DUTY TELEPHONE NBR

(3) HOME TELEPHONE NBR

B. (1) ALTERNATE CONTACT (NAME)

(2) DUTY TELEPHONE NBR

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C. (ANY SPECIAL OR AMPLIFYING REMARKS)

2. TO CLARIFY ANY DOUBTS, MESSAGES SLUGGED "SUPER MAIDEN"
INVOLVE REAL LIFE OXCART OPERATIONAL WEAPON EMPLOYMENTS.

25X1 [] POSSESSES AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE PRIORITY ONE LEVELS IN
ITS SUPPORT OF SUPER MAIDEN MATERIEL NEEDS AND IS FURTHER
EMPOWERED TO DIVERT ASSETS, IF NECESSARY, FROM LESSER PRIORITY
PROGRAMS.

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1. REF PARA 1A OF REF: DECISION MADE THIS DATE TO CANCEL

CONTINGENCY OPTION ONE I.E. TO CONTINUE A-12 DEPLOYMENT ROUTE ON OPERA-
TIONAL MSN. REPEAT CONTINGENCY OPTION ONE CANCELLED. ACCORDINGLY, ^{THREE} A-12'S
WILL DEPLOY [REDACTED] AND LAND AT KADENA IAW PROJECT #OS OPLAN 53-66,
NICKNAME SUPER MAIDEN.

2. REF PARA 1B OF REF: CONTINGENCY OPTION TWO REMAINS VALID OPTION.
I.E. BEGINNING ON 29 MAY 67 REQUIREMENT MAY EXIST TO LAUNCH TWO OPERA-
TIONAL MISSIONS FROM KADENA ON SAME DAY. A TOTAL OF NINE AIRBORNE
TANKER ACFT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT THIS OPTION.

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1. REF PARA 2B REF: AIRCRAFT ETA APPROX 0855L (2355Z),

DOWN TIME OF LONG RANGE SURVEILLANCE RADAR WILL OCCUR DURING DESCENT AND PENETRATION. REQUEST LOCAL COORDINATION BE ACCOMPLISHED TO ASSURE L/R RADAR IN COMMISSION FOR EACH DEPLOYING AIRCRAFT.

2. NEW BUT RELATED SUBJECT: INBOUND ROUTE TRANSITS

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AT APPROX 2346Z, REQUEST YOU ARRANGE PROCEDURE FOR RADAR VECTOR AROUND AREA OR CLEARANCE FOR SAFE PASSAGE THROUGH AREA.

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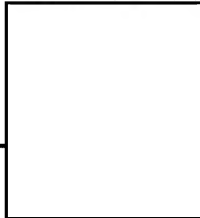
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3. PLS ADVISE WHEN COORD COMPLETE.

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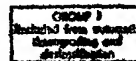


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HOWEVER THEATER DISTRIBUTION NOT YET DETERMINED. WILL PROBABLY BE PROVIDED BY DIA. PARA 4J ALSO BEING CONSIDERED BY USIB AND APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS WILL FOLLOW. PARA 4K BEING ANSWERED SEPARATE CABLE.

3. WE PRESENTLY ANTICIPATE INITIAL MISSIONS WOULD BE PROCESSED EASTMAN KODAK AND ASSUME POSSIBILITY THEY EVENTUALLY WILL BE PROCESSED [] AS NOTED IN REF B FREQUENCY OF MISSIONS IS NOT EXORBITANT PARTICULARLY FOR THE NEXT THREE OR FOUR MONTHS DURING MONSOON SEASON.

4. REF B WAS COORDINATED WITH DIA AND DIA [] HAS COPY.

IN ORDER ALL CONCERNED CAN PROVIDE MAXIMUM COOPERATION FOR

[] REQUEST [] ADDRESS ALL CABLE TRAFFIC RE OXCART

TECHNICAL PROCESSING PROBLEMS AND SUPPORT TO [] INFO []

[] DUE TO EXTREMELY LIMITED NUMBER OF PERSONNEL

CLEARED OXCART AT THIS TIME [] CAN ACT AS AGENT FOR []

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5. QUERY: UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE 1401, PLS ADVISE OTHER
COMPUTERS AVAILABLE.

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REFS: A. [REDACTED]
 B. SAIGON 6779
 C. [REDACTED]

1. APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN VIEW OF [REDACTED] ABSENCE.

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THIS MESSAGE CONTAINS ESSENTIAL OXCART BRIEFING WE HAD REQUESTED
 IN REF A.

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2. PROJECT OXCART CONCERNS THE UTILIZATION OF HIGH PERFORMANCE
 AIRCRAFT WITH A HIGH RESOLUTION PHOTOGRAPHIC CAPABILITY. IT IS A
 JOINT EFFORT OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WITH [REDACTED] HAVING THE BROAD
 RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT. THE EXISTENCE OF
 THIS ^{AIR}/CRAFT HAS BEEN TIGHTLY CONTROLLED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY DIRECTIVE
 AND IS TOP SECRET NEED-TO-KNOW INFO.

3. THE ^{AIR}/CRAFT IS GENERALLY SIMILAR TO THE USAF SR-71 TYPE
 AIRCRAFT AND IS KNOWN WITHIN APPROPRIATELY SECURITY CLEARED

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CIRCLES AS THE A-12. UNLIKE THE SR-71, THE A-12 IS A SINGLE SEAT/CRAFT,
PERFORMS AT THE MACH 3 RANGE, AT ALTITUDES IN EXCESS OF 80,000
FEET, WITH [] PILOT.

4. THE MAJOR CONTRACTORS INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION OF THIS
AIR CRAFT ARE ~~THE~~ PRATT & WHITNEY, LOCKHEED, MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL
AND EASTMAN KODAK FOR FILM.

5. DEPLOYMENT OF OXCART ACFT TO KADENA TO BE READY FOR
OPERATIONS OVER NORTH VIETNAM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY HIGHER
AUTHORITY.

6. THE OXCART PROGRAM IS RIGIDLY CONTROLLED []

[] THE CLASSIFIED CODE NAME FOR THIS OPERATION IS []

THE UNCLASSIFIED CODE NAME IS SUPER MAIDEN: THE CLASSIFIED OVER-
FLIGHT CODE NAME IS BLACK SHIELD. ALL CABLE TRAFFIC CONCERNING
THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE SLUGGED [] ALONG WITH THE APPRO-
PRIATE ABOVE INDICATOR, ADDRESSED TO [] VIA [] COMMO CHANNELS.

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7. CABLE TRAFFIC TO YOUR STATION FROM HQS IS COORDINATED

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8. REQUEST YOU BRIEF AMBASSADOR BUNKER, GENERAL WESTMORELAND AND YOUR AIR OPS OFFICER ON THE CONTENTS OF THIS CABLE.

9. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE HANDLED BY PERSONNEL MENTIONED IN REF. C. AND FOLLOW-UP CABLES TO THIS MESSAGE.

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1. DUE RUNWAY TEMPERATURE LIMITATIONS, LIGHT WEIGHT TAKE-

OFF BEING PLANNED FOR FIRST DEPLOYING A-12 ON 21 MAY 67 WITH TOP-

OFF IN [REDACTED] REFUELING.

2. FIRST AIRCRAFT TAKEOFF TIME NOW 21/1740Z REPEAT 21/1740Z.

SUCCEEDING ARCT'S AND ARRIVAL TIMES REMAIN AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

3. PROJ HQ UNDERSTANDING THAT LOCAL COORDINATION HAS BEEN

ACCOMPLISHED BETWEEN [REDACTED] BEALE FOR NECESSARY TANKER

SUPPORT.

3. FOR [REDACTED] REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE.

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1. REQUEST THE FOLLOWING ADDITION BE MADE TO PARA 3A(3) (PAGE 3)

HQS AWS OPLAN 521.

A. "WX SCOUT PROFILE MAY BE REQUIRED AT A CONSTANT ALTITUDE OF FL 300 FROM ARCP TO END A/R. IN ALL CASES WEATHER SCOUT ALTITUDE PROFILE WILL BE SPECIFIED IN THE EXECUTION ALERT MESSAGE.

2. REQUEST THE FOLLOWING ADDITION BE MADE TO PARA 2B (2) AND (3) ANNEX CHARLIE (PAGE C-3).

A. UNDER 2B (2)(A) ADD "AND ALTITUDE PROFILE"; IE A/R TRACK (UNCLASSIFIED NICKNAME) AND ALTITUDE PROFILE.

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B. UNDER 2B (3) (A) ADD "LEVEL FL 300"; IE LEVEL FL 300.

3. THESE CHANGES REQUIRED TO ACCOMODATE RECENT PROCEDURE
OF LEVEL REFUELINGS.

4. PLS ADVISE WHEN ABOVE ACTIONS COMPLETED.

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THIS IS A SUPER MAIDEN MESSAGE

1. HIGHEST POLITICAL AUTHORITY HAS DIRECTED THAT THE BLACK SHIELD CAPABILITY BE DEPLOYED TO KADENA AB, OKINAWA, IMMEDIATELY. IT WILL BE USED TO OBTAIN CERTAIN PHOTO COVERAGE OF NORTH VIETNAM WHICH IS PRESENTLY UNOBTAINABLE BY OTHER MEANS. THERE IS NO INTENTION OR AUTHORIZATION FOR OVERFLIGHT OF CHINA.

2. THREE A-12 AIRCRAFT WILL BE DEPLOYED ON NON-STOP FLIGHT [REDACTED] TO KADENA. IF PLANNED SCHEDULE MADE GOOD THE FIRST AIRCRAFT WILL ARRIVE ON 22 MAY. THE ADDITIONAL TWO WILL ARRIVE ON 24 MAY AND 26 MAY RESPECTIVELY. THE RECEPTION TEAM WILL BE DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY AND WILL BE IN PLACE AT KADENA BY 19 MAY. THE FIRST OPERATIONAL FLIGHT OVER NORTH VIETNAM COULD BE FLOWN AS EARLY AS 29 MAY. IT IS PLANNED TO CONDUCT AERIAL REFUELINGS OF A-12

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3. EMERGENCY LANDING SITES FOR A-12 AIRCRAFT IN SOUTH VIETNAM INCLUDE DA-NANG AB, BIEN HOA AB, TAN SAN NHUT AB AND CAM RANH BAY AB.

4. COVER IS THAT THE AIRCRAFT ARE EXPERIMENTAL TEST BED VERSIONS OF THE YF-12A/SR-71 FAMILY WHICH ARE AT OKINAWA TO UNDERGO FIELD TESTS. FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE AIRCRAFT AND THE FIELD TEST PROGRAM ARE CLASSIFIED.

5. REQUEST YOU INFORM AMBASSADOR BUNKER AND ARRANGE BRIEF GENERAL WESTMORELAND OF FOREGOING.

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PLS ADVISE IF ANY FURTHER

BRIEFING INFO OR ASSISTANCE REQUIRED FROM HQS.

6. AMBASSADOR BUNKER IS BEING NOTIFIED CONCERNING ABOVE VIA STATE CHANNELS.

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